which will have a tendency to give the order a stamp of respectability, you will strain a point to accede to their wishes.

I called several times to see Judge Douglass, but he was always "out," and I afterwards understood that he was in attendance upon Mr Reid, who was confined to his bed by severe illness. I did not know this fact until after the judge's departure from the city. If you should see him will you mention to him my wishes, and prepare him for a visit from me upon his return to this place—

Dixon H. Lewis was initiated in Oriental Lodge last Thursday evening.

My family join me in their warmest regards.

Yours in F. L. & T. LAURIE:

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To the Hon.
Wilie P. Mangum
Dr Sir & Bro-

At the request of several distinguished Brethren of the city of New York. I beg to submit to you the probability that you may be invited by the Grand Lodge of that State to deliver an address before the assembled Lodge of the State in June next, on the occasion of laying the corner stone of a New Hall about to be erected for the accommodation of our Fraternity in the city of New York- as the structure to be erected is to be a magnificent & costly one, the occasion one of great interest to the Fraternity throughout the country & calculated to assemble many thousands, a general desire prevails, that no ordinary individual shall be chosen to deliver the oration- This therefore is very respectfully to ask whether in the event of such an invitation being extended to Senator Mangum, he will give to it, a favorable consideration.